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SERVICE SPLET MEETING

1 October 1956

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1. AGENCY RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROPERLY REPRESENTING INTERESTS OF THE INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY

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General Cabell requested those present to exercise care that we protect the interests of all members of the intelligence community by advising them of meetings or other activities that we originate or in which we participate wherein such organizations can be expected to have a desire to participate or be informed.

2. PROGRESS REPORT ON DCI'S TRIP

General Cabell announced that the DCI is keeping to his schedule on his trip and that he has been doing an amazing job in seeing people of importance at the places he visits and in reporting on his findings.

3. UNDIGNIFIED POSTERS

Mr. Wisner indicated that some posters that have been placed in headquarters buildings create a bad impression on our own people and on visitors. He stated that these were in some instances undignified and juvenile and that they seemed to carry on a concept that this is a "creep organization". He suggested that there be established some central control for the clearance of posters before they are put up in the various buildings, at least to the extent of clearing them with components occupying the building. In subsequent discussion it was evident that Mr. Wisner had particular reference to present posters in connection with the Consolidated Charities campaign ("Clyde the Cloak").

General Cabell asked Mr. Lloyd to look into the feasibility of establishing a clearance procedure for posters. He also stated that it would appear to require consideration at policy levels to create characters, etc. that were intended to reflect the spirit of the Agency. He asked that Mr. Lloyd take immediate action to withdraw all posters and other printed material depicting "Clyde The Cloak".

4. INTERNAL COORDINATION OF CIA INTELLIGENCE SUPPORT TO POLICY MAKING AGENCIES AND COMMITTEES

Mr. Amory stated that this was an important problem and that on several occasions recently it seemed that there had been very good internal cooperation in producing the intelligence support required of the Agency by policy-making bodies. He said that it was of utmost importance to have the capability to bring all Agency forces to bear on a given problem speedily and that, in this connection, it would be most desirable for desk personnel to know their opposite numbers in OCI, OCB, etc. on a personal basis.

In subsequent discussion it was stated that there was a problem of personnel getting into the OCI area speedily to conduct their business - particularly after normal working hours and on Sunday. General Cabell

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asked that Sheff Edwards get together with the people concerned and work out some procedure to resolve this within proper security considerations.

5. STATUS OF NEW BUILDING

Mr. Lloyd reviewed the current status of activities in connection with the construction of the new headquarters building. He stated that bids were out for the construction of highways and for the purchase of steel for highway bridges; the right-of-way for the highways is being obtained; the architectural firm employed by the Agency is now engaged in drawing up schematic and diagrammatic drawings; Mr.

25X1 Assistant to the Inspector General, has been detailed to assist the Building Planning Staff by working with the architectural firm during this planning period.

In summary, Mr. Lloyd indicated that things were progressing in a satisfactory manner in connection with this construction project.

6. CONSOLIDATED CHARITIES DRIVE

Mr. Reynolds stated that sixteen out of thirty-nine final reports from Agency components had been turned in with receipts and pledges in the vicinity of 22% of the total goal. Due to the recency of his report, he was not in a position to state whether our progress thus far was better or worse than last year.

7. RECENT CHANGES IN CIVIL SERVICE RETIREMENT LAWS

Mr. Reynolds reviewed changes in Civil Service retirement laws that will have an effect on Agency personnel. These changes will increase the amount of deduction for retirement purposes from the salaries of Agency employees by 1/2 of 1% of gross salaries and will provide for considerably liberalized provisions with regard to the amount of annuities and survivor annuities and reduces penalties for optional retirement (age 55).

General Cabell indicated that these liberalized retirement provisions should provide an opportunity to look carefully at older personnel on the payroll and encourage the early retirement of those who, because of their age, are not able to maintain the high standards necessary.

8. MEDICAL BENEFITS

Mr. Reynolds announced that the ADCI has approved the establishment of an Agency policy whereby Agency personnel overseas will enjoy the same benefits with regard to medical care for dependents that the Congress recently approved for Department of State personnel. Although the details of the plan are yet to be worked out, it was generally agreed that this will be a very substantial factor in the improvement of the morale of our field personnel.

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In subsequent discussion Mr. Houston indicated that the matter had been discussed with the General Counsel of the General Accounting Office who had indicated that it would appear to be in order for the Agency to utilize the provisions of Public Law 110 in order to provide these benefits. Mr. Paul stated that this may result in some problems with certain members of the Congress in view of the fact that this authority had been requested for the Agency from the last session of Congress and we did not receive it. He did feel, however, that we had a reasonably sound position in that (a) it had been checked with GAO and that (b) it had not been actually turned down by the Congress but they just were not able to get around to it in the last session.

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| 25X1 | 10. TRIP BY ADMIRAL CONOLLY AND MR. BRUCE |
| 25X1 | Mr. Kirkpatrick said that information he had received reflected that the briefings provided to Admiral Conolly and Mr. Bruce were well received and that a frequently voiced comment was that the briefings were handled in a "very professional" manner. |
| , 25X1 | Mr. Wisner said he understood was going to undertake some research in connection with intelligence activities and stated that it would be beneficial to the orbanizational components in the Agency that would be concerned if they were provided with some advance information on the breadth and scope of this research in order that they may make advance preparations for it. |

The meeting adjourned at 11:52 hours